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1. Met with Herbert Waters, Administrative Assistant to Senator Humphrey, and made arrangements for the Senator to visit the Agency on 17 December. The matter had been discussed with the DCI. See Memorandum of 16 December for details of arrangements.
2. Met with Carl Marcy, Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, to confirm arrangements for his briefing at the Agency on 17 December. Upon inquiring as to the Director's purpose in having him down, I indicated that it was the Agency's ^{belief} ~~view~~ that key staff persons such as himself would benefit by a background briefing of the Agency and its functions to assist them when future contacts were required with the Agency.
3. Miss Drury in the office of Representative James C. Davis (Ga.) telephoned to see if the Agency could be of assistance on a constituent's letter. Miss Drury was apologetic in raising the matter since the letter asked for a very considerable amount of information about propaganda activities of the U. S. Government and other governmental functions. Miss Drury agreed that USIA was more appropriate to assist on the principal queries but I did furnish her with a reference to a statement of the Agency's functions in the U. S. Government Organization Manual. She seemed to feel that this would suffice for her purposes and thanked the Agency.
4. Colonel Grogan advised that there had been two queries from journalists relating to the Director's appearances before the Senate Appropriations Committee and presently scheduled hearings for the near future. Colonel Grogan was furnished with the facts of the DCI's appearances during the last session and was advised that no hearings are presently scheduled although the Director desires to appear before certain committees as soon as the Congress convenes.
5. At the request of the Director, I telephoned Foy Kohler at State Department to ascertain if the notes of Mr. Herter's meeting with Senator Humphrey at which the DCI was present were ready. Mr. Kohler advised that while he had marked a copy for the DCI he had forwarded the package to Mr. Herter's office for approval. However, he would attempt to get them to the Director as soon as possible.

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6. Made arrangements with William Macomber's office at State Department to have Critchfield and Warner present at Senator Humphrey's briefing of the Department and USIA officials at 3:00 p.m. on 17 December. Also, at the Director's request, I talked to Mr. Forsten in Mr. Macomber's office concerning Senator Humphrey's notes on his recent trip. Forsten advised later in the day that he had just received them and would speak to Mr. Macomber about making a copy of these notes available to the Agency as soon as possible.

7. Inquired at Mr. Cannon's office as to when he would return to Washington. It was learned that he is presently in town and will remain here from now on.

25X1 8. [] and John Warner met with William McHale of Senator Smathers' office to discuss the possibility of assistance by the Agency in briefing the Senator on the Communist efforts in Latin America. Mr. McHale appeared to appreciate our problems relating to classified information and indicated that the Senator was interested in the Latin American problem as a whole and presumably was going to take some action on this by way of speeches or publications. McHale indicated that for a great deal of this information they would go to other sources but he would discuss with Senator Smathers the question of a background briefing by CIA of the Communist problem. He was very appreciative of our discussion with him and indicated that he would discuss the matter with Senator Smathers and advise us further.

9. I understand the Director met with Senator Symington to discuss further certain points raised by the Senator last summer.

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